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In re application of:

Jiang Ji

Application No.: 10/604,664

Filed: 08/08/2003

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Examiner: Fortuna, A.M.

For: Defect Free Composite Membranes, Method for Producing Said Membranes and Use of the Same

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **EXAMINING GROUP** 1723

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AMENDMENT OR RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION--TRANSMITTAL

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STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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	CLAIMS									
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						\$	0.00	=	\$	0.00
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No additional fee for claims is required.

FEE DEFICIENCY

5. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account Number 19-4972.

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Dear Sir:

Applicant would first like to thank Examiner Fortuna for the telephone interviews of June 19, 2006 and June 20, 2006, and the helpful discussions which ensued. Further to that telephone interview, Applicant requests that the following amendments and arguments be entered and considered.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.